A Soul's Lament. BY WEED SEE. Lost! lost! lost! Gone, forever gone! Into the ocean tossed: 'Twere better never born Spurned! spurned! spurned! Treasure best of worth; Mad'ning mis'ries earned: O wasted joy of earth! Tears! tears! tears! That burn like flame: And constant haunting fears, And woes of ev'ry name.

Hate! hate! hate! Gnawing at the soul; O dreaded vengeful fate. Thy visions weird unroll!

Sad! sad! sad! Life that's thrown away: No hope, or mem'ry glad, No love to bless the day! Pain! pain! pain! Tearing through the heart

Oh never comes again The friend I bade depart! Night! night! night! Growing darker still, A less ning lurid light. A weak and failing will Death! death! death!

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### WASHINGTON LETTER. [From our Regular Correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, August 8. Senators and Representatives are few and far between to-day. There was an immediate exodus as soon as adjournment took place, the Senators as a rule going to summer resorts and the Representatives to their districts to enter the campaign for a renomination, or for a re-election if the nomination had already been captured.

In summing up the results of the session it is almost surprising to find how small they really are, so far as legislation of national importance is concerned. The appropriations are large, larger by numerous millions of dollars than those made by the first session of the Fiftyfirst Congress, and that fact is expected by the Republicans to count against the Democrats in many close Congressional districts.

Only one Cabinet officer is in town today, and he is going away again. Secretary of State Foster will be here tomorrow, and he will remain indefinitely because of the important business pending before his Department.

The head of the gavel used by Vice-President Morton at the close of the session of the Senate was made of magnolia from a tree planted at Mt. Vernon by General Washington in 1785, and the handle from a boxwood tree named in of General Lafayette. This gavel is the property of the John Brown Fort Company and will be exhibited among the relies in their building at the World's Fair.

President Harrison will remain at Loon Lake with Mrs. Harrison for an indefinite period, and he left orders at the White House that no business was to be sent to him unless it became absolutely necessary to do so. Mrs. Harrison's continued illness is a matter of general regret, but it is not surprising to those who knew her real condition when she left here.

The People's Party Representatives accuse the Democratic leaders of the House with having acted in bad faith concerning the Sub-Treasury Bill, which was adversely reported during the last hours of Congress from the Ways and Means Committee, whereas they claim that they had been promised that it would be reported in time to have been voted upon, and that the Committee on Rules would report a resolution setting a time to take a vote upon it. The Democrats claim that they only promised the bill should be reported before the money. One dollar saved daily balances subject to check at sight, and a session closed, and that the promise was

When it comes to dealing with questions affecting the wage-earners of the in a Presidential year, the courage of the average politician fails him and he concludes that the safest policy to adopt is that of sitence and masterly inactivity. This has been demonstrated by the attitude assumed by both the House and the Senate investigating committees towards the Homestead strike and the Pinkertons. House Sub-Committee rushed off post-haste to investigate, immediately after the fighting at Homestead, and its members appear to have been sorry for it ever since. Its Chairman prepared a report which a majority of the Sub-Committee declined to sign (it has since been made public and the action of the majority in refusing to sign it is not surprising), and which the full House Judiclary Committee, to which it was referred, decided should not be made until next December, because, as one of the Committee remarked, of the political dynamite it contained. The Senate, always more deliberate than the House, and in this case more politic, let the resolution providing for investigation stand until the time for adjournment and then adopted it, with the distinct understanding that the select committee instructed to investigate would do nothing until after the election. Some people might call this cowardice on the part of the politicians.

A good story has leaked out concerning a recent applicant for an office in the gift of the President. The applicant, who was backed by a pumber of Sepators, after making a strong fight for the appointment surprised one of his Senatorial friends one morning by saying, "! have given up the fight." "Nonsense;

what for?" said the Senator. "Hasn't the President spoken kindly of your record, and almost promised you the place?" "Oh yes," answered the applicant, "he was pleasant enough, but I discovered to-day who my opponent is. I'm going home." "Why?" "Well, in the first place he is from Indiana." "Then he is an ardent Prohibitionist." "Indeed!" "Has great prominence in the Presbyterian Church.' Suppose he has." "Is Superintendent of a Sunday-school." "Dear." "And served in the Seventeenth Indiana through the war. It's a straight flush and can't be beat. Good-by."

World's Fair officials appear to be perfeetly satisfied with the gift of \$2,500,000 from Congress. They say it is preferable on the whole to the appropriation of \$5,-000,000 as a loan, as proposed at first.

Should be Owned by the Town. At Pine Bluff, Ark., recently the water company sealed up the fire hydrants, because the company could not agree with the city authorities on the water rents. It would have been an interesting question who would have been responsible had a fire broken out while the hydrants were sealed up. This ought to make one point clear to city and village authorities, and that is that as long as a company controls the water service, the citizens are practically at their mercy. Every city and every village or town, no matter how small, should have a good water service, and it should be owned and controlled by the citizens themselves. The first cost would of course be large, but the service would be much cheaper in the end .- Fireman's Heruld.

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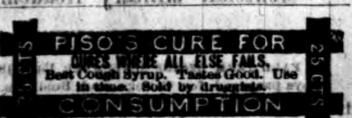
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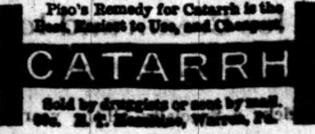
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